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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Page 1, please delete the section entitled "Cross-Referenced to Related

Patent Application, and insert instead the following immediately after the title:

-- Cross-Reference to Related Application

This application claims priority from application Serial No. 60/012,122 filed February 9, 1996 and U.S. Patent 6,198,025 issued March 6, 2001 for "METHODS FOR EFFECTUATING mRNA TRANSFER OF GENETIC INFORMATION BETWEEN SPECIES AND PRODUCT OF THE SAME"

pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 and 120. --

A separate page containing this cross-reference designated Attachment A is enclosed for the Office's convenience.

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